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TO: Assistant Deputy Director for Plans

SUBJECT: Arrest of CIA Agents by Cuban Security Police

1. This memorandum is for information only.

2. On 1 March 1965, a Reuters news dispatch from Havana reported that Major Rolando GUINIA and Major Juan GUIN were arrested on that date by the Cuban Security Police for alleged counterrevolutionary activities involving the United States Central Intelligence Agency.

3. Rolando GUINIA's biographic sketches and Juan Pedro GUIN's, whose biographic sketches are contained in Attachments A and B, respectively, were, in fact, involved with this Agency in counterrevolutionary activities. GUIN, who was recruited by a CIA agent in August 1955 inside Cuba as a Principal Agent to recruit high level military leaders, had no contact with CIA staff personnel. He was, however, used as a contact and trained by his recruiter under Agency direction. His 2/3 contact had been made with GUINIA only 1954. GUINIA, the new recruit, of the 2/3, had been in contact with this Agent during the period 1951-1955 (last contact in February 1955), during which time he functioned in direct contact with at least ten staff officers, two of whom were known to him by true names. GUINIA's activities were all in the name of the Agency's operational contacts, which include 2/3, with GUINIA credited in Attachment A. Attached also (Attachment C) is a list of those officers who met with GUINIA, where and when they met, and the dates involved.

4. In addition to the staff officers mentioned above, GUINIA also had contact with at least seven Cuban military leaders. GUINIA also claimed to have contact with the Agency's operations, but it was clear to him that this was not representing the United States Government.

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**NAME:** Ramon Tomas GUIN Diaz

**DPOB:** 22 September 1933, Havana, Cuba

**MARITAL STATUS:** Wife - Daisy and 2 children

**BIOGRAPHIC DATA:** GUIN matriculated at the University of Havana School of Sugar and Agricultural Economy during the 1955-56 Academic year. He fled Cuba in July 1956 as a result of his political activities against BATISTA, obtaining asylum in the Costa Rican Embassy in Havana, and there after proceeding to Costa Rica. He later entered the United States at Miami and eventually went to New York to reside with an uncle. While in New York he carried on the struggle against BATISTA. He was secretary of the propaganda section of the Directorio Revolucionario (DR) and also director of its newspaper "El Combate". He then returned to Cuba, joining CASTRO'S forces in the Escambray as a Captain in the Rebel Army. After CASTRO'S victory he became Commandante (Major), manager of an INRA collective farm and Vice Secretary of Provincial JUCEI.

**OPERATIONAL SUMMARY:** GUIN was first contacted and recruited in August 1963 by Miguel A. DIAZ Isalgue who was on an infiltration mission for CIA. GUIN was to be utilized as a Principal Agent for the purpose of recruiting dissidents among high level Cuban military officers. Rolando CUBELA Secades eventually became involved in the conspiracy with GUIN. GUIN was trained in secret writing and issued SW materials by the Agency, but there has been no SW contact since July 1964.

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GUIN was never met by any Agency staffer. In the conspiracy part of the operation, GUIN'S only known contact was CUBELA. However, GUIN had many contacts especially in Matanzas and Cardenas such as Miguel A. DIAZ Isalgue's family and friends with whom he maintained close relations.

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ATTACHMENT C

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TRUE NAME</u>	<u>ALIAS</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
1961	Jack Stewart	True Name (known in true name to CUBELA in Havana in 1960)	Mexico City
1962	William Wainwright	"Bill Thompson"	Helinski, Paris
1962	Earl Williamson	True Name (known in true name to CUBELA in Havana in 1954-55)	Paris
1962/65	Robert Owen	"Roberto"	Paris
1962	Richard Kinsman	"Capt. David Harper"	Paris
1962	Richard Long	"Dick"	Paris
1963	Desmond FitzGerald	"James Clark" - as a representative of GPFOCUS	Paris
1963	John Stent	"John Stevens" - or possibly by true name	Paris
1963/64	Wesley Sanchez	"Nicolas Sanson"	Paris
1963	Robert Kierce	"Dr. Keeman"	Paris